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---Dallar Ranger editor



THE DALLAS RANGER

U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion

"RECRUITING FOR AMERICA'S ARMY"

FALL 2002

USAREC Deputy CG West Visits Dallas

The USAREC Deputy Command General, West, BG Bernardo C. Negrete, took time out of his busy schedule to personally shake the hands of the soldiers of Lewisville Company and hand out his coin in appreciation for all the hard work they have done in the previous months. BG Negrete traveled to several Lewisville Company recruiting stations to include, Lewisville, Carrollton, North Richland Hills, Irving, and Grapevine.

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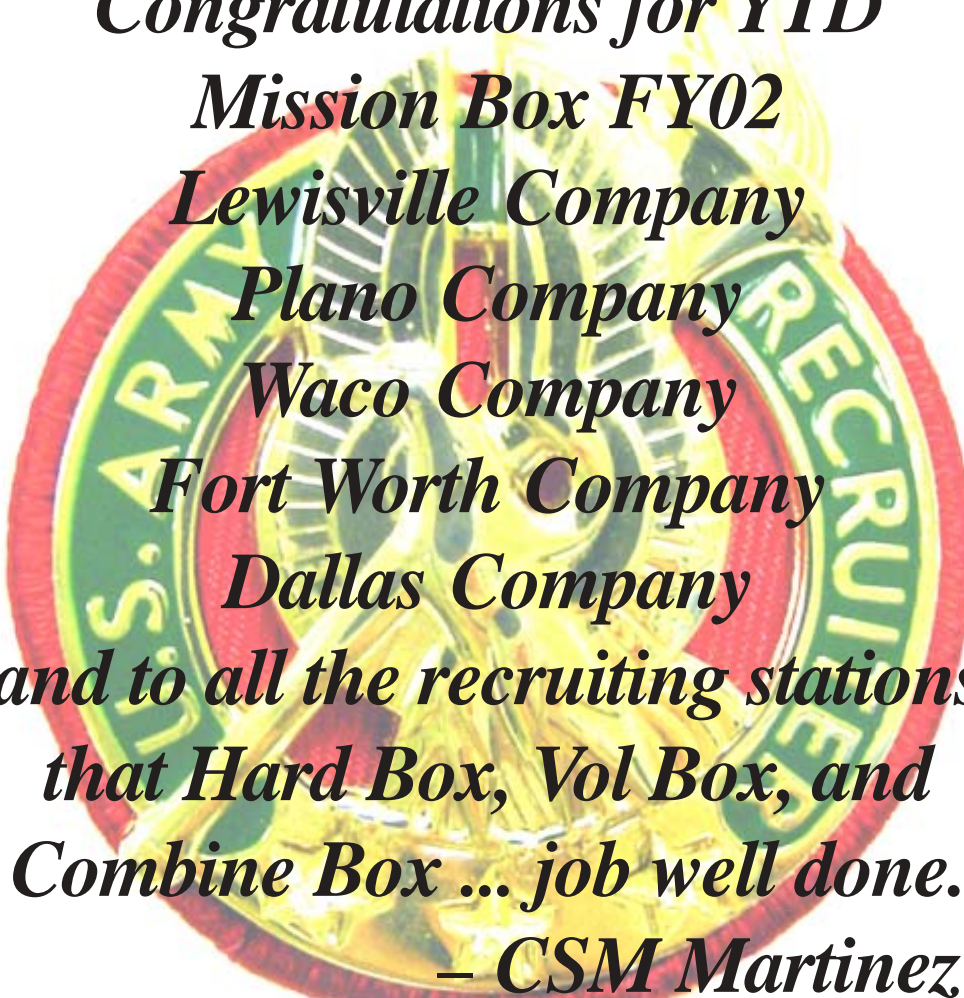
Dallas Battalion receives a visit from USAREC Deputy Commanding General, West.

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DEP FUNCTION

This year the annual Battalion DEP function was held at TPC indoor racing.

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A large, circular seal of the US Army Recruiting Command is centered in the background. It features a green outer ring with the words 'U.S. ARMY RECRUITING' in gold. Inside the ring is a yellow field with a green border containing the words 'RECRUITING' and 'COMMAND'. The center of the seal is a gold field with a green border containing the words 'U.S. ARMY' and 'RECRUITING'.

***Congratulations for YTD
Mission Box FY02
Lewisville Company
Plano Company
Waco Company
Fort Worth Company
Dallas Company
and to all the recruiting stations
that Hard Box, Vol Box, and
Combine Box ... job well done.
— CSM Martinez***

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Ranger Tip

Winter Safety

It is that time of the year again. Halloween is right around the corner and soon Thanksgiving, then Christmas.

It is time to start thinking safety. Recruiters spend a lot of time in their GOVs and when you're not working you are with your families over the holidays driving somewhere.

It is important to take the time for Risk Management. We all over look the possibility or use the expression, "It won't happen to me."

Just ask some of your fellow recruiters who have had accidents in the past. It happened to them.

We all need to be extra careful especially during the holidays and at those times when traffic is heavy or we are traveling long distances.

It is all common sense precautions we can take. Check your vehicle, make sure you have enough gas, and you are prepared in case of an emergency.

For more information contact your chain of command or you can get safety information on the USAREC web site.

Lewisville Company receives new commander

Tim Paullin

DALLAS BATTALION A&PA

LEWISVILLE, Texas — Captain Jack C. Hunnicutt assumed command as the Lewisville Company Commander during a change of command ceremony August 29 at the Lewisville Company Headquarters here.

Captain Jack C. Hunnicutt was born in Yolosuka, Japan. Being a son of a Department of Defense Dependant Schools teacher, he never had a permanent home. However, he claims Sherman, Texas, his father's birthplace, as his home of record. He graduated from the United



CPT Jack Hunnicutt

States Military Academy in 1994 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Engineering.

After graduating from the Aviation Officer Basic Course, he served as a Platoon Leader and Executive Officer for O troop, 4/3 Armored Cavalry Regiment. Upon completion of his first assignment, CPT Hunnicutt attended the Military Intelligence Officer Transition and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms Service Staff School, and the Special Equipment Mission Aircraft (SEMA) transition course.

As a SEMA aviator, CPT Hunnicutt had assignments with the 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion, South Korea, as the Battalion Training Officer and the 1st Military Intelligence Battalion, Germany, as the Battalion Plans and Operations Officer.

CPT Hunnicutt's awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal (Two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (One Oak Leaf Cluster), National Defense Service Medal (One Bronze Star),

Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Aviator Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

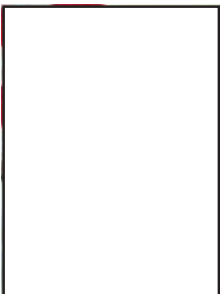
Dallas Company changes company commander

Tim Paullin

DALLAS BATTALION A&PA

ARLINGTON, Texas — Captain Kenneth D. Welch assumed command as the Dallas Company Commander during a change of command ceremony August 29 at the Arlington Public Library here.

Captain Kenneth D. Welch is a native of Jackson, Mississippi. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1985 as a Chaparral Air Defense Missile System crewman and was assigned to D Battery, 2nd Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery at Fort Hood. He graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1993 and received an ROTC commission.

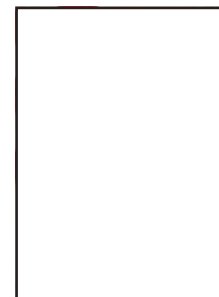


CPT Kenneth Welch

Platoon Leader. After his tour of duty, CPT Welch returned to D Battery, 2nd Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, at Fort Hood, Texas, as a Stinger Platoon Leader. He then served as Bradley Stinger Fighting Vehicle Platoon Leader of B Battery 2nd Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment and Battery Executive Officer of B Battery 1-44 Air Defense Artillery Regiment.

Captain Welch earned his Master of Business Administration degree from Tarleton State University in 1996. Upon completion of the Aviation Officer Advanced Course, CPT Welch served as Battery Commander of A Battery, 3rd Battalion (AIRBORNE) 4th Air Defense Artillery Regiment in the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. CPT Welch also served as the Joint Task Force-Bravo Air Operations Officer, Soto Cano, Honduras while assigned to 3rd Battalion, (AIRBORNE) 4th Air Defense Artillery Regiment.

Captain Welch's military education includes Basic Training, Advanced Individual Training, Air Defense Artillery Officer Basic Course, Basic Airborne School, Battalion Motor Officer Course, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Leader Course, Aviation Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Equal Opportunity Advisor, Air Assault Course, Ranger School, and the 82nd Airborne Division Jumpmaster Course.



CPT Mike Shipman

Captain Michael L. Shipman left the Lewisville Company after 24 months of service.

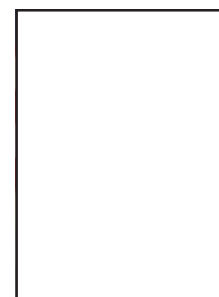
During that time he has led the company to mission box hill numerous times.

"I have done a lot of soldiering over the past 24 months, and it has been a great time," said Shipman. "I want to say that to my 1SG and all my soldiers, because without you it would not have been possible."

Captain Welch's decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (3 OLC), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Overseas Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Wings and Air Assault Badge.

Captain Welch is single and resides in Dallas.

Captain Scott A. Stephens served 24 months with Dallas Company and will be missed by all his soldiers.



CPT Scott Stephens

"I really enjoyed my time here and want to personally

thank all my soldiers, friends and especially my wife and children for their time and patience during this tour," said Stephens.

"My success here would not have been except for the leadership and dedication of the soldiers of Dallas Company. Thank you again for your commitment and perseverance."

Captain Stephens' next duty assignment will be with Military Intelligence somewhere in the World forward deployed.

Commanding Officer's Comments

Juson A. Cook, LTC

DALLAS BATTALION COMMANDING OFFICER

Dallas Rangers Lead the Way and you are a part of the most vital battalion within 5th Brigade and perhaps USAREC.

You are part of a dramatic change that has been taking place all year, and thanks to tremendous leadership, unwavering commitment, and a winning attitude, your service is paying off in multitudes.

In RSM September the battalion boxed for FY02. Mission Box. You did it! That's right — you did it.

In RSM October, Dallas Recruiting Battalion boxed again and four out of six companies followed suit, a battalion record in and of itself. The BLT has attempted to congratulate each of you personally during our recent ATC, but if the word has not found you — Well Done! We are so very proud of you.

There is no doubt that leadership, pure and simple, is responsible for our performance. The Dallas Rangers will continue the drive in RSM November, and our recruiters, station commanders and CLTs are the team of teams that are making this feat possible.

As November and December months approach, Dallas Recruiting Battalion is one battalion within USAREC who can make this mission happen.

We are not the largest battalion, nor the smallest in the brigade, but we do have NCOs and officers that salute the mission, move out, and step up to the plate.

Thank you for what you are doing. We have no doubt about our continued success. The Battalion Staff is with you while saluting you.

There is more to our success story than production. We have spouses that are deeply interested in the morale and well being of their

soldiers. Our Family Readiness Group is becoming increasingly more active.

I personally believe that our spouses are some of the best recruiters we have in the battalion.

No soldier can reach their potential without their spouse's tireless support. Thank you.

The Dallas Rangers are setting the winning tone for a historical year. It's going to be fun! ... Rangers Lead the Way.

LTC Judson A. Cook
Battalion Commander



What Would You Do?

The following examination of leadership issues is not intended to present right or wrong answers. The goal is to provide a forum to encourage leadership discussions of challenging issues. The Chaplain responses are designed to provide moral and ethical guidance. Questions, comments or ideas for a future scenario may be submitted to: timothy.paullin@usarec.army.mil

To indulge or not to indulge:

It's Friday night and you and some other soldiers are at your home watching a football game. Some friends show up at halftime with snacks and beer. One of them pops open a beer, and he happens to be underage. Everyone knows this soldier and his age, but no one says anything. You realize you could lose a lot if he gets caught, but you want him to have fun too. What do you do?

What some Soldiers said:

"I'd take the beer from the underage soldier and tell him that it's not worth a court martial just for a beer."

"I would tell the soldier to put the beer down and stop drinking. Then I would inform the soldier of the possible punishments that could take place if he was to get caught."

"Tell him not to drink. There are more ways to have fun than drinking."

"I wouldn't do anything, because I don't see anything wrong with it."

What the Chaplain said:

This scenario poses both a moral and legal dilemma. If this were simply a case of a few friends having a beer or two over a football game, perhaps there would be no problem—as long as they were drinking responsibly! But the instant the underage soldier pops the top of that beer, there had better be a soldier present with enough "Honor, Courage and Commitment" to yank it out of his hands before it reaches his lips.

If things go awry, not only will there be serious consequences for the underage drinker, but also for those who stood idly by and did nothing about it.

Ever heard of "contributing to the delinquency of a minor?" I assure you it's not just a civilian law. The Uniform Code of Military Justice has a whole section on it also.

I understand that nobody wants to be a killjoy, but it's just not worth the price you'll pay!

Take the time to think before you drink.

USAREC Deputy CG West Visits Dallas

Tim Paullin

DALLAS BATTALION A&PA

DALLAS – The USAREC Deputy Commanding General West, BG Bernardo C. Negrete, stopped by to pay the Dallas Recruiting Battalion a visit September 5 and 6. The deputy commanding general spent two days visiting several Lewisville Company recruiting stations talking to recruiters and handing out his personal coins.

“This is the first time in my career that I have given a coin to every soldier in any one company,” said BG Negrete. “I’m not here to inspect, I’m here to say thank you.”

Lewisville Company has mission boxed for this fiscal year in the second week of Recruiting Ship Month, (RSM) August. In addition, they have mission boxed nine of the last 11 months and in first, second and third quarter.

“We have been doing great things in Dallas Battalion and I wanted to show off the soldiers of Lewisville Company,” said LTC Judson A. Cook, Dallas Battalion commanding officer.

The Lewisville Company Leadership Team, CPT Michael Shipman and 1SG Sergio Rivera, earned the Chief of Staff of the Army Recruiting Excellence Award and the

Commanding General’s All-Star Incentive Award for Fiscal Year 02, along with six of seven Lewisville recruiting stations.

Lewisville Company is currently ranked number one in the battalion, number two in 5th Brigade, and number three in U S A R E C through RSM August for fiscal year 2002.

Lewisville Company in addition has also taken Top Company in 5th Brigade for first and second quarter.

If that is not enough, Lewisville Company had the only Audie Murphy inductee in the battalion for fiscal year 2001 and 2002, SFC Carl Miller from Lewisville Station.

“I think it means more to every soldier to be told ‘thank you’ face-to-face and receive a hand shake than to be sent an E-mail or an award in the mail,” said Rivera. “The morale in our company has increased greatly and all of soldiers feel that their hard work has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated.

“The fact that a General Officer took the time out of his busy schedule to fly out here and visit us says a lot for our company,” explained Rivera.

“As our motto in our company states ‘In It To Win It’, I believe that our soldiers take that motto personally and strive every month to live up to it.”

In the eleven years that Rivera has been assigned to this battalion, he cannot recall a company level unit ever achieving what Lewisville Company has achieved this fiscal year.

After visiting several of the recruiting stations within Lewisville Company, BG Negrete had the opportunity and honor of promoting one soldier and re-enlisting another.

BG Negrete promoted Sergeant First Class Royce E. Davis to his present rank during his visit to Lewisville Recruiting Station. Davis has been on recruiting duty for 18 months and is currently assigned to Denton Recruiting Station. He is a Dallas native and before coming to Dallas, he served at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas.

“It was an honor to be promoted by the

general,” said Davis. “It is not everyday you get promoted, let alone by your commanding general.”

Following the promotion BG Negrete had the opportunity to re-enlist 18-year-veteran, SFC Robert T. Rinell, who has been a career recruiter for the past 11 years, two years here at Dallas Battalion.

“It doesn’t matter what kind of area you have to recruit in, it’s the leadership in place that matters,” said

BG Negrete. “And these two soldiers are a fine example of the leadership that has made this company successful.”

The sole purpose of the general’s visit was to shake hands and hand out coins. Even at the general officer level, the accomplishments

– BG Negrete

PHOTO BY TIM PAULLIN
BG Negrete congratulates SFC Davis after promoting him to his present rank during a recent visit to Dallas Bn.

of Lewisville Company are well known and talked about. This is a true testament of the high caliber of soldiers that permeate the ranks of Lewisville Company.

“These recruiters and station commanders are truly some of the best soldiers in the Army,” said Rivera. “I told all my soldiers that at the end of this fiscal year they can look at themselves in the mirror, render a salute and proudly say, you did a great job for your country, soldier.”

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SFC Robert T. Rinell, Lewisville Recruiting Station Commander, recites the oath of enlistment as he is sworn to duty by BG Negrete during a recent visit to Dallas Bn.

DALLAS

CPT Kenneth Welch

DALLAS COMPANY

The following are the departing words from CPT. Stephens subsequent to his change of command.

I am honored and privileged to have been a part of the Dallas "Dawg Pound". The soldiers here have demonstrated great tenacity and aggressiveness in overcoming the obstacles and pushing hard for success. These past several months have shown remarkable efforts by the recruiters ending in Mission Box for the month of July. The company is also 100% plus for the reserve mission YTD, and is closing in on the end of the year. It is proving to be another very successful year for recruiting in our area. The team is positioned to achieve 100% of its mission and the recruiters are fired-up to close it out!

Turn-over in the company has been high, and we have an outstanding bunch of new recruiters that have jumped in with both feet. The "new blood" will provide the strength for the company in the upcoming years. Our participation in the battalion Mega DEP/DTP Function was extraordinary. Over 120 DEP/DTP members came out to support the Dallas Desparados. The company also did very well during the Brigade Command Inspection and during the Brigade Command Team visit in July. I would like to thank the recruiters and station commanders who put their best foot forward to show them how it's done in the Dallas Dawg Pound!

We have said goodbye to many a good soldier over the last few months. We will miss SFC Hayden from Oakcliff RS who has retired, and SFC Jackson from Pleasant Grove who has gone up to battalion RT Shop. SSG Scott from Desoto RS returned to his MOS in June, and SFC Holder from Arlington RS moved over to the Waco RS also in June. SFC Dickerson from Waxahachie is moving in July to take command of the Abilene RS. SSG Cato, an outstanding recruiter from Desoto RS, has converted to 79R and will take over

Waxahachie RS. We welcome SFC White who has taken over command of Pleasant Grove RS, and look forward to opening up the new Dallas Downtown RS in August under the great leadership of SSG Smith who has converted to 79R.

The Dawg Pound has changed leadership. I have turned the reigns over to CPT. Kenneth D. Welch who came to us from Ft. Bragg, N.C., where he finished up command of A Battery 3-4 ADAR in the 82d Airborne Division. Thanks for all your hard work.

See you on the High Ground.

FT WORTH

CPT Christine Downing

FORT WORTH COMPANY

Greetings from the Fort Worth Longhorns! The following were our award winners for the month indicated:

RSM April: Top Dawg (4 contracts): SSG Curtin (Ridgmar); High Rollers (3 or more contracts): SSG Clerkley (Alta Mesa), SFC Easley (Alta Mesa), SSG Salcedo (Abilene), SSG White (Ridgmar), SSG Curtin (Ridgmar). RSM May: Top Dawg (4 contracts), SSG Morgan (Ridgmar); High Rollers, SSG Robinson (Alta Mesa), SFC Bibbs (Abilene), SFC Rose (Cleburne), SSG McCourt and SSG Morgan (Ridgmar)

Mission Boxed Stations: Cleburne led by SSG Grigsby, Weatherford led by SFC Matos and Ridgmar, led by SFC Gelat, who 10 contracts over their mission. RSM June: Top Dawg (4 contracts), SSG Baker (Cleburne)

High Rollers, SFC Carlsen (Cleburne), SSG Darbyshire (Weatherford), SSG McCourt/SSG Gomez (Ridgmar)

Mission Boxed Stations: Cleburne, Weatherford, Sweetwater led by SFC Pruett, and Ridgmar. RSM July:

Top Dawg (4 contracts): SSG Curtin (Ridgmar), High Rollers, SSG Robinson (Alta Mesa), SFC Bibbs (Abilene), SGT Rodriguez (Ridgmar), SSG McCourt (Ridgmar), SFC Rennert (Weatherford), Mission Boxed

Stations: Ridgmar.

Ridmar Station is also Mission Box Year To Date! This took tremendous effort on the part of all the great Ridgmar recruiters, and we as a company team thank you for your hard work.

The company picnic was held 28 June at the lake on JRB/NAS Fort Worth. Thank you to the families who were able to attend and help us recognize our outstanding recruiters, departing soldiers, and new arrivals. A special thank you to CSM Martinez for coming over from Dallas to present SFC Gelat with his hard earned recruiting ring.

Congratulations to SSG Reginald and Leshan Mitchell at Alta Mesa RS on the birth of their son, Dante, on 8 July. Our best wishes go out to your family.

Other new additions to the company include SSG Eric and Angie Espino; SGT Elvis and Debbie Williams; and Corporal Daniel Villegas at Alta Mesa RS; SSG Samuel and Ginger Brady; SSG Michael and Claudia Little; and SSG David Evans at Abilene RS; SFC Alice and Clarence Gatlin at at Ridgmar RS. Welcome to all of these Great Americans.

The company also lost or is losing some extremely valuable members of our family. SFC Moody, SFC Clerkley, SFC Brown, and SSG Herron from Alta Mesa RS; SSG Van Tassel from Weatherford; and SFC Carlsen from Cleburne. SSG Grigsby has moved from Cleburne to be the Alta Mesa Station Commander. These soldiers have all been extraordinary performers for the Fort Worth Company, and we owe them a debt of gratitude for their efforts. Good luck to all of you.

As we head into the home stretch for this Fiscal Year, 1SG Boles and I would like to thank all of our families for the support they provide to their spouses every day. The awards and recognition our soldiers will receive at the Annual Training Conference scheduled for November will be in large part because of you.

If you want your company news to be published in the Dallas Ranger, then contact your station commander, 1SG, or company commander.

The next issue will be in January 2003.



CPT Hunnicutt says hello

Greetings to everyone in Dallas Battalion and more importantly, Lewisville Recruiting Company. My name is CPT Jack Hunnicutt and I am the new commander of Lewisville Company. I wanted to take this opportunity to tell all of you a little about me, my family, and the vision I have for Lewisville Company in the coming months.

Like I said earlier, I am very excited to be part of the Lewisville Recruiting Company team. Lewisville Recruiting Company had an incredible Fiscal Year 2002. Not too many recruiters can say they were part of a Company that ranked in the top of their Battalion and Brigade. It fills me with great pride knowing that I am working with soldiers of such high standards and caliber. However, with every good soldier is a good wife/husband. I truly appreciate all of the support and understanding you lend your soldier husband or wife. Recruiting is, without a doubt, one of the most demanding jobs in the Army. Your constant love, support, and understanding enabled your recruiter husband or wife to achieve the great success that he/she did this past Fiscal Year. So, from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!

As we start FY03, I am confident we can continue our streak of excellence. Approach each new day with the vigor and tenacity you did throughout FY2002. I am looking forward to working with all of you. Through family events and get-togethers, I also hope to meet all of the family members that make up Lewisville Company. After all, you too are part of the Lewisville team. Once again, thank you all for your hard work and professionalism. Like all of you, I am "In It To Win It!"



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Tony "The Sarge" Schumacher and the U.S. Army Top Fuel Drag Racing Team came to the Texas Motorplex to participate in the 2002 O'Reilly Fall Nationals. "The Sarge" took time out of his schedule to talk with members of the Dallas Battalion Delayed Entry Program, emphasizing that with teamwork and dedication anything is possible, even flying down a quarter-mile racetrack at 333 m.p.h. "We will have to rely on each other," said Schumacher, who captured the 1999 Top Fuel Crown. "Teamwork is always key when you are striving to get to the top. That's what did it for us in '99 and that's what we'll need this season. The U.S. Army uses the teamwork formula to achieve success, so why not follow their lead?"

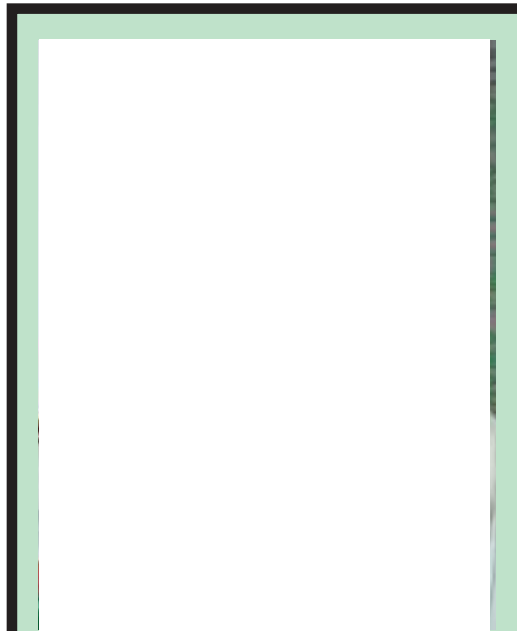


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FAREWELL – Major Anthony Leggett, Dallas Battalion Education Services Specialist leaves the battalion after a two-year active-duty tour. MAJ Leggett is a full-time fire fighter near Shreveport, La. Everyone here at Dallas Battalion would like to wish him and his family all the best.

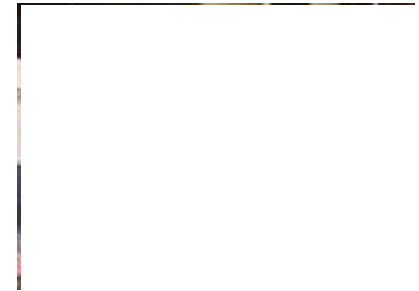


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LTC Judson A. Cook, Dallas Battalion Commander, talks with members of the Delayed Entry Program during their visit to the Texas Motorplex to watch "The Sarge" Schumacher race.

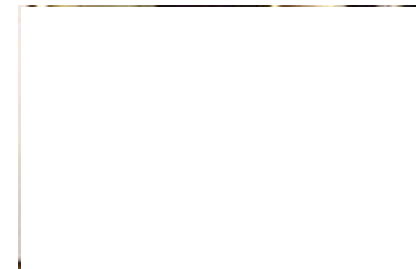
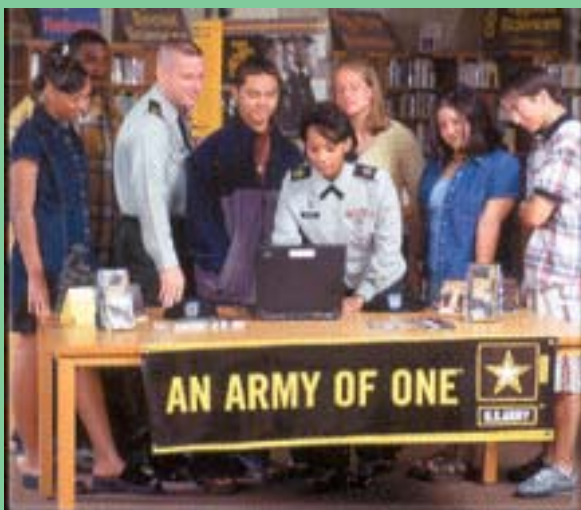


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LTC Cook and CPT Welch, Dallas Company Commander, pass out "The Sarge" hats to DEP members.

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